Setting up of Agricultural University in Bichpuri, Agra.

3840. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been requested to set up an Agricultural University in Bichpuri, Agra;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have taken any action thereon; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) and (b) Sir, A proposal for the establishment of an Agricultural University in Bichpuri Agra was received from Uttar Pradesh Government.

(c) and (d) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research did not support the proposal, as in the State of Uttar Pradesh there are already three State Agricultural Universities, 2 Institutes of Agricultural Sciences at Banaras Hindu University and Aligarh Muslim University, a deemed University on veterinary sciences and a number of agricultural colleges under general universities to meet the manpower requirements in the field of agriculture.

I.C.A.R. Career Advancement Scheme

3841. SHRI J.S. RAJU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether I.C.A.R. Career Advancement Scheme dated the 23rd October, 1991 stand amended in view of its letter dated the 5th February, 1992 to the effect that service rendered by S-I scientists in "S" grade i.e. pay scale of Rs. 550-900 and Rs. 425-700 shall be taken into consideration for computing total service of 8 or 16 years for their promotion to next higher grades; and

(b) if not, the action taken by the I.C.A.R. in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) Sir, the Career Advancement Scheme has been circulated by the ICAR through its letter dated 28th October, 1991 and not 23.10.91. Through the letter dated 5th February, 1992 orders regarding implementation of the judgement of the CAT delivered on 15.2.91 have been issued. This judgement relates to the relevance of the service rendered in 'S' grade of ARS or equivalent grades for computing the total lenght of service for the purpose of placement/promotion in the UGC pay package adopted by the ICAR by its notification dated 9.3.89. The letter dated 28.10.91 stands modified to the extent applicable.

(b) Does not arise.

CAT decision on I.C.A.R. Scientists

3842. SHRI J.S. RAJU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that I.C.A.R. is not honouring the decision given by the CAT in case No. 511/90 and confirmed by the Supreme Court regarding counting of "S" grade/ equivalent grades service for computing 8/16 years for promotion of S-1 scientists in terms of Career Advancement Scheme;

(b) whether, the Scientific Staff Association in a petition submitted to the Union Minister of Agriculture in the 1st week of August, 1992, has brought this fact to Government's notice; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) Sir, It is not a fact that ICAR is not honouring the decision given by the CAT in case of

No. 511/90, which relates to the relevance of the service in 'S' grade of ARS or equivalent grades for computing the total length of service for the purpose of placement/promotion in the UGC pay package adopted by the ICAR *vide* its notification dated 9.3.89.

(b) In the petition from the so called Scientific Staff Association, the following demands have been made:—

(i) There should be relaxation in the case of Scientists in position on 31.12.85 in the condition that for promotion/ placement to higher scales the Scientist should have made a mark in the area of Research/Teaching as evidenced by Research Publications in reputed journals, variety/product/technology developed and innovations in teaching/ extension education.

(ii) The Career Advancement Scheme should be modified so far as it relates to the condition that for promotion / placement in accordance with the UGC Career Advancement Scheme which is also being applied in all the Agricultural Universities where Research/Teaching and extension are integral component of the mandate as in the ICAR Institutes.

(iii) The cases of placement/ promotion of all eligible S-1 Scientists as per Career Advancement Scheme should be done expeditiously.

(c) The petition has been examined and the demand for relaxation or modification of the relevant condition has not been accepted for the reason that the main mandate of ICAR is research and a Scientist should show evidence of his achievements in research to earn promotion/placement to higher scales. So far as proposals for placement/promotion to higher scales in accordance with the Career Advancement Scheme is concerned, recommendations of Departmental Promotion Committees are under process.

शुष्क भूमि परियोजनाएं

3843. **श्री विश्वास रामराव पाटिल:**
श्री अजीत जोगी:
श्री छोटू भाई पटेल:

क्या **कृषि** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या देश में शुष्क भूमि क्षेत्रों की कृषि विकास आवश्यकताओं की पूर्ति करने के लिए सरकार द्वारा अब तक कोई राष्ट्रीय परिप्रेक्ष्य योजना शुरु की गई है; और यदि हां, तो इसके मुख्य उद्देश्य क्या-क्या हैं;

(ख) वर्ष 1991-92 और 1992-93 के दौरान राज्य-वार कौन-कौन शुष्क भूमि परियोजनाएं कार्यान्वित की गई हैं और उपर्युक्त अवधि के दौरान इन परियोजनाओं के अधीन प्रत्येक राज्य को कितनी-कितनी सहायता प्रदान की गई है;

(ग) शुष्क क्षेत्रों में पैदावार बढ़ाने के लिए सरकार द्वारा क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं; और

(घ) क्या यह सच है कि वर्षा पर आधारित कृषि में कृषि ऋण उपलब्धता और फसल बीमा की स्थिति काफी कमजोर है; और यदि हां, तो इन क्षेत्रों में कृषि के काम-काज में तीव्रता लाने के लिए सरकार क्या कदम उठाने का विचार रखती है?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुल्लापल्ली रामचन्द्रन): (क) सरकार द्वारा 1990-91 में वर्षासिंचित क्षेत्रों के लिए एक राष्ट्रीय पनधारा विकास परियोजना शुरु की गई है और यह परियोजना 8वीं पंचवर्षीय योजना अवधि के दौरान जारी रखी जा रही है। जिसके उद्देश्य विवरण-1 में दिये गये हैं। **(नीचे देखिये)** तथापि, बारानीभूमि वाले क्षेत्र के विकास के लिए एक राष्ट्रीय परिप्रेक्ष्य योजना की आवश्यकता भी महसूस की जा रही है।

(ख) विवरण 2 संलग्न है **(नीचे देखिये।)**

(ग) वर्षासिंचित क्षेत्रों के लिए राष्ट्रीय पनधारा विकास परियोजना, वर्षासिंचित क्षेत्रों में उपज बढ़ाने के लिए स्वःस्थानिक जल संरक्षण एवं पनधारा आधार पर समेकित बारानी भूमि कृषि प्रौद्योगिकी के प्रसार के लिए बनायी गयी है।

(घ) वर्षासिंचित क्षेत्रों सहित कृषि ऋण की कुल उपलब्धता बढ़ रही है। 1985-86 के दौरान (7वीं योजना का आधार वर्ष) वितरित किया गया ऋण 7005.55 करोड़ रुपये था जो 1991-92 में बढ़कर